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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Policy and Plans Group

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Policy and Plans Group

SUBJECT: SECOM Compartmentation Subcommittee -
DCID 1/7

REFERENCE: Compartmentation Subcommittee Memorandum
of 6 April 1983, with Attachments

1. Our previous position on the matter at issue was limited to agreement with the Chairman, SECOM's notion to refer the matter of waivers for Federal Contract Research Centers (FCRCs) to the Compartmentation Subcommittee to draft proposed policy. Our agreement was tacit; we had no "serious objections" to the idea and forwarded no memorandum to that effect. In taking this approach we agreed with the idea of Community study and neither endorsed nor rejected any of the options that could be presented as policy. They are:

- ° Adding to the DCID a general waiver for FCRCs identical to that written in for Government-Owned, Contractor-Operated (GOCO) laboratories.

- ° Restrict waivers to GOCOs and shut out FCRCs either by specifically excluding FCRCs or leaving the DCID unchanged. If the latter approach is taken, previous SECOM action that granted the Institute for Defense Analysis (IDA) a waiver would have to be reconsidered. If the waiver for IDA stands, we are back to the point where we started; i.e., every request for a waiver for an FCRC would have to be submitted to and voted upon by the SECOM.

2. The C/SSC has indicated waivers or the lack of them would impact on DoD rather than the Agency. We have contracts with some FCRCs, but can live with a non-waiver policy, if necessary. Under these circumstances, the Agency can act as a neutral observer (in terms of equity) interested only in an objective analysis of risk.

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3. My feeling at this point is that we do not have enough information to take a firm position. We do not know how many FCRCs would be involved, nor can we measure if the DIA request is motivated by convenience or an onerous requirement. We do not know whether or not the SECOM can expect future requests for exceptions and, if requests are submitted, how many. In brief, we have not heard the arguments for or against waivers for FCRCs from those most concerned.

4. Notwithstanding the above, the exclusion of waivers for FCRCs is attractive because it limits dissemination of intelligence information without our approval and would be definitive in shutting off future requests for waivers and attendant time consuming debate as SECOM action items. It is recommended the CIA representative to the Compartmentation Subcommittee oppose waivers for FCRCs, including that existing for IDA. This recommendation is made with the understanding that we have no great problem if the vote goes the other way, and that we would not insist on SECOM consideration of a minority opinion.

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REMARKS

Request guidance on what position D/SEC wishes to take on this issue, which impacts DoD rather than CIA. Most Gov't owned, contractor operated (GOCO's) and Federal Contract Research Centers (FCRC's) are under DoD or DOE control. We do have contracts with some of them (RAND, LLL, Sandia) but could live with non-waiver if necessary.

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